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FIFTH GRADERS SERVE AS CITY ATTORNEY AND POLICE CHIEF FOR THE DAY

San Diego City Council Recognizes Local Students for Their Work in Crime Prevention Program

WHO: Two fifth grade students from Andrew Jackson Elementary in the Mid-City area of San

Diego

WHAT: Assume the role of two key public figures in the City of San Diego. Student Tyrone

Travis will serve as "San Diego City Attorney for the Day." Student Vien Tran will spend the day as "San Diego Police Chief for the Day." Both students will be recognized by the San Diego Mayor and City Council with a special resolution in recognition of their exceptional work in a crime prevention and education program, *Juveniles and Justice:* A

Community Safety Initiative.

WHEN: TODAY, Tuesday, June 5, 2001, at 10 a.m.

WHERE: San Diego City Council Chambers, City Administration Building, 202 C Street, 12th Floor

WHY: Juveniles and Justice: A Community Safety Initiative was developed by the San Diego

City Attorney's Office and the San Diego Police Department, in partnership with Mid-City for Youth and local schools. The two students being recognized won an essay contest as part of the program, which also included a mock trial. Tyrone Travis played the role of an attorney during the mock trial, while Vien Tran was a witness. The students spent eight weeks learning about the criminal justice system, studying the U.S. Constitution and the individual rights that relate to the criminal justice system, and

discussing why we have laws and what happens when a law is broken.

Following a special resolution at San Diego City Council Chambers, the students will spend time with City Attorney Casey Gwinn at the City Attorney's Office and with Executive Assistant Chief Barbara Harrison at the San Diego Police Department.

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